5. Visit of Sri Lankan Minister for Lands, Mr. Gamini Dissanayake as Special Envoy of President Jayewardene (15-17th March, 1988).	The outcome of this visit was more effective cooperation at the operational level, in the implementation of the Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement.
6. Visit of Mr. S. Thondaman Sri Lankan Minister for Rural Industrial Development to India from 27th March to 4th April, 1988.	Mr. Thondaman met the President, the Prime Minister and the Minister of Industry. The outcome of this visit was a reiteration of the need for greater economic cooperation especially in areas which would benefit the Tamils of recent Indian origin in Sri Lanka.
7. Visit of Mr. Gamini Dissanayake former Minister for Lands, Land Development, and Mahaweli to India from 8th-11th May, 1988.	The outcome of the visit was a firm reiteration that the IPKF is in Sri Lanka in accordance with the provisions of the Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement and that it's strength will be based on the operational requirements and the role it is required to play in fulfilling the terms of the Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement.
8. Visit of Raksha Mantri Sh. K.C. Pant as PM's Special Envoy to Sri Lanka from 30th May to 1st June, 1988.	Raksha Mantri has meetings with the Sri Lankan President, Sri Lankan Ministers of Lands, National Security and Transport. The progress in the implementation of the Agreement was reviewed and both sides shares the firm conviction that the implementation of the Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement was essential for maintaining and Strengthening the unity of Sri Lanka, Indo-Sri Lanka friendship, regional peace and stability. It was also decided that the strength of the IPKF in Sri Lanka would depend on operational requirements and the situation on the ground.
III. *Official Level*	
1. Three rounds of discussions were held between August and September 1987 terms of Article 2.15 of the Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement to resolve residual matters not finalised between May and December 1986.	The India delegation was headed by our High Commissioner in Sri Lanka and the Sri Lankan delegation by the Secretary to the Sri Lankan President. The outcome of these talks was that legislation was enacted in Sri Lanka for setting up Provincial Councils and delivering substantial Powers on them, thereby creating the frameworn for greater autonomy for the Tamils. The promised to improve this devolution package at a later stage.
2. Civil Aviation talks were held between India and Sri Lanka in Colombo from 5th to 7th April, 1986.	The outcome was the signing a Memorandum of Understanding for increased Cooperation in this sector, which *inter alia* provided for greater frequency from Delhi to Colombo. It was also decided that there would be a flight to Jaffna.

Introduction of high speed trains on Delhi—Agra—Kanpur Section

*107. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 7 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th July, 1988 and state:

(a) what are the findings of the feasibility study conducted for running trains at 250 kmph. on Delhi—Agra—Kanpur Section; and

(b) whether Government proposes to introduce such trains on this sector in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) The pre-feasibility study report has not yet been submitted.

(b) Does not arise.

Five star hotels with collaboration of foreign countries

*111. SHRI M.A. BABY:

SHRI E. BALANANDAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have allowed seven foreign companies to set up five star hotels in the country;

(b) if so, what are the details of the said arrangements; and

(c) what are the places where those hotels would be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Turnover of ITDC hotels

*112. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of sales turnover of ITDC during April, 1988 and January this year and that of the corresponding period during the preceding year and the overall occupancy of the ITDC hotels;

(b) whether ITDC has taken joint ventures in the country and abroad; if so, the location of these projects; and

(c) whether ITDC is planning to boost efficiency?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (c) The turnover of ITDC as a whole during the period April 1988 to January 1989 as compared to corresponding period last year and overall occupancy of ITDC hotels for the said period are as under:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

	1987-88 (April-Jan)	1988-89 (April-Jan)
Turnover . .	7415.60	8464.52
Occupancy . .	67%	68%

ITDC has so far undertaken the following Joint Venture Projects in the country and abroad:—

In the country :

Six Joint Venture Hotel Projects at Guwahati (Assam), Puri (Orissa), Ranchi (Bihar), Bhopal (MP), Pondicherry (U.T.), Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh).

Besides ITDC has also set up a Fast Food Restaurant at Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine as a Joint Venture with Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board. ITDC has also signed agreement with Punjab Tourism Development Corporation for setting up a Joint Venture hotel project at Chandigarh with Jammu & Kashmir Tourism Development Corporation for setting up a resort project at Pahalgam.

Abroad :

ITDC in collaboration with Trust of Station Restaurants Moscow has set up an Indian cuisine Restaurant at Moscow commissioned on 4-7-87. In addition ITDC has signed collaboration agreements for setting up one Joint Venture Hotel project at Wellington Newzealand and two Joint